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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 11, 2006, please consider the claim amendments outlined below, in conjunction with the accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Remarks begin on page nine (9) of this paper.